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1. PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF DRUGS, INCLUDING CANNABIS
UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY LAW OF LIBERIAN CODE OF LAWS IS
FINE OF TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS FOR EACH OUNCE OF THE DRUG
IN POSSESSION AND IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT LESS THAN ONE AND NOTE
MORE THAN TWY YEARS. THE PENALTY FOR ILLEGAL TRAFFIC IN DRUGS,
MARIJUANA INCLUDED, IS IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT LESS THAN SEVEN YEARS
AND NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY YEARS.

2. IN CASES INVOLVING NARCOTICS OFFENSES, INCLUDING OFFENSES
WITH MARIJUNA, HABEAS CORPUS WILL REMAIN SUSPENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL
DECREE, UNDER CONTINUING PROVISIONS OF THE EMRRGENCY POWERS
ACT OF 1973. A SPECIAL COMMISSION, ESTABLISHED IN 1975, IS
EMPOWERED TO TRY NARCOTICS CASES AND ITS DECISIONS ARE FINAL,
SUBJECT ONLY TO APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT.

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3. THE USE OF MARIJUANA IS FAIRLY COMMON IN LIBERIA.
THE QUALITY AND EXTENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT HERE ON ITS USE,
POSSESSION AND TRAFFICKING IS AT BEST SPOTTY.
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